

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

YAMAMOTO, Shusuke et al.

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For. PIN CONNECTION STRUCTURE AND METHOD OF CONNECTING

MEMBERS BY PIN

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Group Art Unit: 3679

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **June 30**, **2004**, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page two of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page six of this paper.